

Franklin County Commissioners Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
August 11, 2025

The Franklin County Commissioners Court met in a Regular Session on August 11, 2025, at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas.

Members present: Scott Lee – County Judge
Jerry Cooper – Commissioner Precinct 1
Toby Godfrey – Commissioner Precinct 2
Scott Newsome – Commissioner Precinct 3
Scott Smith – Commissioner Precinct 4
Brook Bussell – County Clerk

VISITORS: Paris Tillery, Beth Hedges, Max Cannaday, Matt Holz, Landon Ramsay, Brantin Carr, Gary Boren, Kathy Boren, Mac Glaess, Mike Millender, Sue Ann Harper, Jimmy Harper, Jacquelyn Mendez, Jennifer Cooper, Mary McLennan, Linda Owens, Mike Rambin, Jody Robins, Kay Harper, Aaron Sanders, and April Bardwell.

Judge Lee called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. Commissioner Smith offered prayer. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American flag and the Texas flag were recited.

Public Comments: None

Agenda Item 1 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 28, 2025 REGULAR SESSION; JULY 28, 2025 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION; AND THE AUGUST 4, 2025 SPECIAL SESSION – COUNTY CLERK –
Commissioner Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item 2 – AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENTS – COUNTY TREASURER – The total amount submitted for approval is \$372,925.69. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve payment of the claims against the county as presented, and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – A

Agenda Item 3 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE 2026 RENEWAL RATES FOR HEALTH, DENTAL, LIFE, VOLUNTARY LIFE, AND VISION WITH TAC HEBP – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the 2026 renewal rates for health, dental, life, voluntary life, and vision with TAC HEBP. Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – B

Agenda Item 4 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR SOE FOR VOTER EDUCATION SOFTWARE – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR –
Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Product Subscription Agreement between Franklin County, TX, Elections Office and SOE Software Corporation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Godfrey. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – C

Agenda Item 5 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDER OF ELECTION FOR STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Order of Election for the State Constitutional Amendment Election. Commissioner Newsome seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – D

Agenda Item 6 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDER OF APPOINTMENT FOR ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATES – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Order of Appointment for Election Judges and Alternates. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Godfrey. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – E

Agenda Item 7 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE AFFIDAVIT FOR PURCHASE REQUEST FOR ELECTION EQUIPMENT FROM MVID – ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Affidavit for Purchase Request for Election Equipment from MVID. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 08/11/2025 – F

Agenda Item 8 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR PRECINCT 1 WITH LUPINUS – PRECINCT 1 COMMISSIONER – No action taken. After receiving recommendation from County Attorney Landon Ramsay to enter into the Road Use Agreement with Lupinus, no motion was made.

Discussion:

- Road Use Agreement and road damage – several members of the audience and Court made statements and asked questions regarding damage to the roads with no Road Use Agreement in place.
- Winnsboro Building parking lot.
- Plumbing at the West Annex.
- Dr. Mac Glaess gave a brief update about the animal shelter.
- Remodel of office for Extension Agent is underway.
- Judge Lee reminded everyone to remove the license plates from any vehicle going to auction.

Agenda Item 9 - ADJOURN - Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:29 AM.

I, Brook Bussell, County Clerk, certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of the Commissioners Court Regular Session on August 11, 2025.

Witnessed and recorded this 11th day of August, 2025.

Brook Bussell, County Clerk